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presented to the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House, a copy of the despatch addressed to the Secretary of State, dated 26th February, 1883, upon the subject of 100 artillery horses and certain military equipments, stated to have been placed at the disposal of the Government of India by this Government, as well as of the

ings of the Executive Council on the same matter to which despatch and proceedings the message from his Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the table of this House, on Wednesday, the 25th instant had reference."

Mr. SMITH seconded the resolution, which was passed.

PETITION

Mr. WHITE, in the absence of Mr. DENIRH, moved that the petition of William Wedge Dark received by this House on the 20th instant, be printed.

Mr. SMITH seconded the motion.

Mr. ROBERTSON opposed the motion on the grounds that the petitioner's allegations were borne out by the facts of the case, and that the Minister of Lands and Public Works should

The motion being put the House divided with the following result :—

Ayes, 17.	Noes, 7.
Mr. White	Mr. Cowper
Butler	Moriarty
Dalry	R. Campbell
Mars	

Dr. Aldcorn	Robertson	} Teachers
Mr. G. Macleay	Hay	
Wild	Dickson	
Marks	J. Campbell	
Weekes		
Jamieson		
Jones		
Arnold		

Macarthur
Gordon
Piddington } Tellers.

RAILWAY FROM MORPETH TO MAITLAND
Mr. GORDON to move "1. That a select committee be appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of making a railway to Morpeth, diverging from the most convenient point on the present line from Newcastle to Maitland."

from Newcastle to Ashington, with power to call for persons and papers. 2. That such committee consist of Mr. Jones, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Scott, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Whitton, Mr. Dickson, and the mover." He contended that the Great Northern Railway must at some future date start from Morpeth to be of any service to the inhabitants of the Northern district. The whole of the supplies consumed in these districts would be sent to

prices consumed in these districts were sent from Sydney, and landed at the port of Morpeth, from whence they had to be conveyed over three miles of a bad road as there was in the colony to the railway terminus at Maitland. None of these supplies were so landed at Newcastle. The whole of the work contemplated by the motion would not cost more than £20,000, and no better time could be chosen for its commencement, and so it was instantly adopted.

line as far as Armidale, this short line was much required to make the Great Northern line advantageous to the full extent. The hon. member for the North Riding (Mr. Smith) had obtained a committee to enquire into the desirability of making a branch line to Windsor, and a similar committee was all he asked for.

The motion being put, the House divided with the following result:—

Ayes, 12.	Noes, 10.
Mr. Robertson	Mr. Cowper
R. Campbell	Wilde
Arnold	Murray

Piddington	Macarthur	
Weekes	Hay	
Jones	Suttor	
Marks	Jamison	
Dr. Alcorn	Moriarty	
Mr. Dickson	Forster	
J. Campbell	Donaldson	Tellers.
White		
Gordon		

WILLIAM SIMS BELL.

Mr. HAY, in the absence of Mr. G. Macleay moved that the petition of Mr. William Sims Bell, of Liverpool Plains, presented by him on the 25th instant, be printed.

Carried.

SILLITOE TRUST BILL.

On the motion of Mr. COWPER the second reading of this bill was postponed until Friday next. It was

bill from the other House, and there had been no one as yet appointed to take charge of it.

SCAB IN SHEEP BILL.

On the motion of Mr. SUTTON, the consideration of this bill was postponed until Friday next.

EXECUTIONS.

On the order of the day being called on for

the resumption of the debate in reference to the following motion, Mr. WILD, in consideration of the thin state of the House, and the late period of the session, withdrew it. 1. That it is the opinion of this House that the interval between the sentence and execution of condemned criminals should be considerably extended. 2. That an address be presented to the Governor-General, embodying the above

resolution, and praying that his Excellency will be pleased to take steps for carrying it ^{into effect.}

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND IRELAND
RECORDS REGISTRATION BILL.**

The consideration in committee of this bill was postponed until Friday next.

ARTICLES OF FOOD INSPECTION BILL.

Mr. ROBERTSON moved for second reading of

On the motion of Mr. JONES, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the above bill in detail.

The other clauses were passed without amendment, and the House having remanded the report was adopted, and the third reading was fixed for Friday next.

second reading of this bill lapsed.
SHORTENING ITS AMENDMENT BILL.
 In the absence of the hon. member for King and
 Georgiana (Mr. Fawcett), Mr. COWPER postponed
 the further consideration of this bill in committee till
 to-morrow.

LOANS BILL.
 Mr. R. CAMPBELL postponed the following motion

After a lapse nearly a quarter of an hour, Mr. COWPE moved, That the third reading of this bill stand in order of the day for the morning, to take precedence of all business.

Mr. DONALDSON remarked that the House also now been kept waiting for nearly a quarter of an hour in order to read this bill a third time. The adoption of the report took place on the 26th of August, and he thought it was the duty of the chairman to have this bill ready by this time.

plained that his bill was only "ready for reading" this morning. As was a very long bill, and, as he had had other business to attend to, he had not been able to get it ready in time.

The motion was then agreed to.

Mr. COPER said, as there was a very thin attendance of members, he would move that the remaining order of the day be postponed till to-morrow,

The Hse adjourned at twenty-five minutes past five o'clock, to three o'clock to-morrow (this day).

NEW NOTICES OF MOTION.
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.
Mr. WILKINSON to move,—That there be laid upon the table of this Honorable body all correspondence, informations, and reports, relating to the seizure of the brig *Frederick*, on the 16th instant, by the United States Revenue Cutter, *Albatross*.

H. M. Cram, Esq., is now, about 1870, to be laid upon the table of this House:—A return showing the several amounts of salary, fees, and other emoluments received by the Bishop's secretary in each year, from 1837 to 1859, and specifying from what fund or funds several amounts received; A return showing the amounts of the several sums received by the Diocesan Registration Office in each year, during the same period; 3. A return showing the several sums received from the general revenue, during the same period, for stationery and printing; also, for sales; also, for cleaning and mending the altar; for the use of the Diocesan Registry Office.

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